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SUBJ: POSSIBLE REDUCTION OF DEA DISTRICT OFFICES IN BRAZIL

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1. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS THAT THERE HAS BEEN SOME CONSIDERATION
GIVEN TO CLOSING ONE OF DEA'S DISTRICT OFFICES IN BRAZIL BUT
HAS NO RECENT INFORMATION ON WHERE THE PROPOSAL STANDS OR
ITS PROSPECTIVE OUTCOME. WE ASSUME FROM REFTEL (A) THAT, AT
THE VERY LEAST, SOME CONSIDERATION IS BEING GIVEN TO CLOSING
THE SAO PAULO DISTRICT OFFICE.

2. WHILE WE ARE NOT FULLY INFORMED OF THE DETAILS OF THE
PROBLEMS THAT HAVE FORCED DEA TO CONSIDER CLOSURE OF ONE
OFFICE HERE, NOR OF THE ELEMENTS THEY MAY BE TAKING INTO
ACCOUNT IN MAKING THEIR CHOICE, FROM OUR STANDPOINT
THERE ARE PERSUASIVE ARGUMENTS AGAINST CLOSING SAO PAULO
OFFICE. MOST IMPORTANT AMONG THEM IS THAT CITY OF SAO
PAULO AND THE AREA COVERED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE THERE
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HAVE BECOME THE PRIORITY PROBLEM AREA OF BRAZIL AS FAR
AS INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS TRAFFIC IS CONCERNED. IT IS A
RAPIDLY GROWING AREA SERVED BY ABUNDANT AIR AND SEA ROUTES
AND SHARING BORDERS WITH FOUR OTHER COUNTRIES, AT LEAST TWO
OF WHICH -- PARAGUAY AND BOLIVIA -- ARE NARCOTICS PROBLEM
AREAS. CITY OF SAO PAULO, AMONG LATIN AMERICA'S LARGEST,
HAS ENORMOUS FLOW OF FOREIGN VISITORS AND IS RAPIDLY DEVELOP-

ING PROBLEMS CHARACTERISTIC OF BIG CITIES, INCLUDING NARCOTICS.

3. IDEALLY, WE WOULD PREFER TO SEE BOTH RIO AND SAO PAULO OFFICES KEPT OPEN, BUT IF THERE ARE RESOURCE PROBLEMS THAT REQUIRE A CONCENTRATION OF ASSETS AND PERSONNEL IN EITHER RIO OR SAO PAULO, WE BELIEVE THAT THE CHOICE OF SAO PAULO WOULD BE MOST CONDUCTIVE TO OVERALL HEMISPHERIC EFFORT TO INTERDICT FLOW OF NARCOTICS. GIVEN PROXIMITY TO RIO AND EXCELLENT TRAVEL CONNECTIONS BETWEEN TWO CITIES, AGENTS FROM SAO PAULO WOULD BE ABLE TO COVER RIO EFFECTIVELY BY REGULAR VISITS.

4. DEA COUNTRY ATTACHE HAS SEEN THIS MESSAGE AND CONCURS. CRIMMINS

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